Recommendation Options:

(Note: This list is not necessarily comprehensive. Names in parentheses are declared supporters of given option as of 3 November)

1. Allowance Distribution Method

- a. Free Allocation vs. Auctioning
 - -- 100% auctioning from outset? (Barger)
 - -- < 100% auctioning in short run, 100% in long run? (Knittel, Boyce)
 - -- 100% free allocation from the outset?
- b. Method for Free Allocation (if applicable)
 - -- exogenous? (Bushnell, Knittel)
 - -- updating?
 - -- if so, what form?
- c. Method for Auctioning (if applicable)
 - -- sealed bid or multiple round?
 - -- uniform price or discriminating price?
 - -- other features?
- d. Use of Intermediaries (such as LDCs)?

2. Allowance Value Provision

(for each of these options, need consider the time-profile (increasing or constant or decreasing emphasis through time?)

- a. compensation?
 - -- if so, to which parties?
 - -- to industry (shareholders)?
 - -- if so, which ones? (Knittel (highly qualified))
 - -- to displaced workers? (Barger, Boyce "transitional" use)
 - -- to disproportionately affected consumers (low-income households)? (Barger)
 - -- to communities experiencing increased pollution?
- b. dividends to public? (Barger, Boyce "final" use)
- c. investments and other public expenditure?
 - --- if so, which type of investment or expenditure?
 - --- environment-related:
 - --- funding to support adoption of existing clean technologies
 - --- funding to support invention of new clean technologies
 - --- funding for environmental remediation and adaptation
 - --- support for new infrastructure
 - --- other capital investments
 - --- investments in job training (Boyce "transitional" use)
 - --- investments in disadvantaged communities (Boyce "transitional" and "final" use) (e.g., Community Benefit Fund)

- --- transfers to regional or local government agencies (equivalent to tax reduction below if the transfer is at state agency level) (Boyce "final" use (but small share))
 --- other public expenditure
- d. tax reduction (devote auction revenue to state Treasury)? (Goulder, Knittel)